PERTURBATION FORMULAS FOR TRACES ON NORMED IDEALS

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ABSTRACT. We prove perturbation results for traces on normed ideals in semifinite von Neumann algebra factors. This includes the case of Dixmier traces. In particular, we establish existence of spectral shift measures with initial operators being dissipative or bounded, and show that these measures can have singular components in the case of Dixmier traces. We also establish a linearization formula for a Dixmier trace applied to perturbed operator functions, a result that does not typically hold for normal traces.

1. Introduction

The goal of this paper is to extend important results of perturbation theory for ideals with normal traces to more general operator ideals, including Marcinkiewicz ideals endowed with Dixmier traces, and obtain new results that are distinctive of singular traces. In particular, we establish existence of spectral shift measures, which are not always absolutely continuous. We recall that the spectral shift measures have been applied in perturbation theory of Schrödinger operators and in noncommutative geometry in the study of spectral flow [2]. Existence of absolutely continuous spectral shift measures linked to normal traces was established in [3,7,19,20] and of second order spectral shift measures in [13, 18, 23, 26]. Singular traces are important in classical and noncommutative geometry as well as in applications to physics (see, e.g., [6,8,21] and references cited therein), and we prove perturbation results for such traces.

Let $B(\mathcal{H})$ denote the algebra of bounded linear operators acting on a separable Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , let $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}(B(\mathcal{H}))$ denote the dual Macaev ideal and $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ a Dixmier trace on it (see Section 2 for details). For certain classes of pairs (H_0, V) , with H_0 an operator in $B(\mathcal{H})$ or an unbounded operator affiliated with $B(\mathcal{H})$ and $V \in \mathcal{I}$, we prove the trace formula

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0)) = \int_{\Omega} f'(\lambda) \,\mu_{H_0,V}(d\lambda), \tag{1.1}$$

whenever f is a sufficiently nice scalar function, for some finite, complex measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ on an appropriate subset Ω of the complex plane (see Theorem 3.3, Remarks 3.4 and 3.11, and Theorem 3.12).

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By analogy with the case of a normal trace, we call the measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ the (first order) spectral shift measure. If H_0 and $H_0 + V$ are closed, densely defined and dissipative (i.e., possibly unbounded with $\text{Im}(H_0)$, $\text{Im}(H_0 + V) \geq 0$), then Ω can be taken to be \mathbb{R} ; if H_0 and $H_0 + V$ are contractive, then Ω can be taken to be \mathbb{T} , while if H_0 and $H_0 + V$ are bounded self-adjoint, then Ω can be taken to be a bounded subset of \mathbb{R} . In these various cases, different classes of functions f are allowed in (1.1). Note that the verbatim analog of (1.1) for general dissipative or contractive operators in case of a normal trace has not appeared in the literature (to the best of the authors' knowledge), but is obtained in this paper, as our techniques and results apply more generally, and in particular to normal traces.

Singularity of the trace Tr_{ω} entails properties of the spectral shift measures that do not hold for normal traces. We demonstrate that the measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ can fail to be absolutely continuous (see Proposition 4.2) and, moreover, any measure type is possible (see Theorem 4.4), as distinct from the case of trace class (or noncommutative L^1) perturbations and normal trace. We also show that the spectral shift measures linked to the Dixmier trace degenerate to zero when their counterparts linked to the standard trace are defined (see Proposition 4.1).

We prove linearization of the operator function inside the trace

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)) = \operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(f'(H_0)V), \tag{1.2}$$

with $V \in \mathcal{I}$ (see Theorem 3.13), which does not hold in general for a normal trace Tr , for when f is a nonlinear function, the Taylor series expansion for $\operatorname{Tr}(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0))$, with V in the trace class, contains higher order Gâteaux derivatives $\frac{d^n}{dt^n}f(H_0 + tV)$. Note that although, seeing (1.2), it is tempting to write $\mu_{H_0,V}(d\lambda) = \operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(E_{H_0}(d\lambda)V)$, in general, we do not have this equality because $\mu_{H_0,V}(d\lambda) = \operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(E_{H_0}(d\lambda)V)$ can fail to be countably additive (see Example 3.1).

For $V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, we prove the second order trace formula

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega} \left(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) - \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) \right) = \int_{\Omega} f''(\lambda) \, \nu_{H_0, V}(d\lambda), \tag{1.3}$$

where $\nu_{H_0,V}$ is a finite measure determined by the operators H_0 and V (see Theorem 5.2). The measure $\nu_{H_0,V}$ can fail to be absolutely continuous (see Proposition 5.11) and it degenerates to zero when $V \in \mathcal{I}$ (see Proposition 5.13). Furthermore, we prove (see Theorem 5.9)

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}\left(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)-\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0}f(H_0+tV)\right) = \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\Big|_{t=0}f(H_0+tV)\right),\tag{1.4}$$

for $V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, which is an analogue of (1.2).

Singularity of the trace requires development of a new approach to the spectral shift measures, which is explained at the beginning of Section 3. We prove existence of the first and second order spectral shift measures implicitly, which is closer in spirit to the proof of existence of the higher order [24,25] than the proof of existence of the lower order spectral shift measures for normal traces.

In fact, analogous results, by the same proofs, hold in the more general setting of Dixmier traces on Marcinkiewicz ideals of σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factors (see [17] and [6]), and our exposition accommodates this generalization. Our hypotheses on the trace are quite general, and accommodate also the classical trace.

The organization of the rest of the paper is as follows. Section 2 contains preliminaries, and is divided into three subsections: 2.1 on general ideals, norms and traces, 2.2 on Dixmier traces and 2.3 on classical dilation theory done for semifinite von Neumann algebras. Section 3 contains proofs of the first order perturbation formulas. Section 4 contains some results and examples on spectral shift measures $\mu_{H_0,V}$ for singular traces, showing, in particular, that $\mu_{H_0,V}$ can be singular. Section 5 contains proofs of the second order perturbation formulas.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. On ideals, norms and traces. Let \mathcal{B} be a σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor with fixed normal, faithful, semifinite trace τ . We will consider perturbation formulas for possibly unbounded operators affiliated with \mathcal{B} . While \mathcal{B} , when represented normally on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , consists entirely of bounded operators, a densely defined, closed, (possibly) unbounded operator T is affiliated with \mathcal{B} if and only if T commutes with all unitary operators in the commutant of \mathcal{B} ; equivalently, T is affiliated with \mathcal{B} if and only if in the polar decomposition T = V|T|, we have $V \in \mathcal{B}$ and all spectral projections of |T| belong to \mathcal{B} ; since an unbounded operator affiliated with \mathcal{B} can be identified in this way as the product of a partial isometry $V \in \mathcal{B}$ with an integral $|T| = \int_{[0,\infty)} t E_{|T|}(dt)$ of a \mathcal{B} -valued spectral measure, the algebra $\widetilde{\mathcal{B}}$ of operators affiliated with \mathcal{B} is independent of the Hilbert space on which \mathcal{B} is represented. In the case of $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, the affiliated operators are, of course, just arbitrary closed, densely defined, possibly unbounded operators on \mathcal{H} .

In the case of $\mathcal{B} = B(\mathcal{H})$, von Neumann characterized the ideals of \mathcal{B} in terms of the set of sequences $(s_n(A))_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of singular numbers of elements A of the ideals (see [5] or [16]). In the case of \mathcal{B} a type II_{∞} factor with fixed normal, faithful trace τ , the ideals of \mathcal{B} (and, more generally, the sub- \mathcal{B} , \mathcal{B} -bimodules of the space of all τ -measurable operators affiliated to \mathcal{B}) are classified in terms of generalized singular numbers, which go back to Murray and von Neumann [22]. For $A \in \mathcal{B}$, the generalized singular numbers $\mu_t(A) \geq 0$ are a right-continuous, nonincreasing function of $t \in (0, \infty)$. See [15] for more on generalized singular numbers. Let us use the symbol $\mu(A)$ to denote the function $t \mapsto \mu_t(A)$. By [17], an ideal \mathcal{I} of \mathcal{B} is characterized by its so called characteristic set

$$\mu(\mathcal{I}) = \{ \mu(A) \mid A \in \mathcal{I} \}$$

and the sets of functions so arising are precisely the dilation invariant, hereditary cones in the set of bounded right-continuous, nonincreasing functions.

Definition 2.1. Let \mathcal{B} be a σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor. An ideal \mathcal{I} of \mathcal{B} is called a *normed ideal* if it is equipped with an *ideal norm*, namely, a norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ on \mathcal{I} satisfying

(i)
$$A \in \mathcal{B}, B \in \mathcal{I}, 0 \le A \le B$$
 implies $||A||_{\mathcal{I}} \le ||B||_{\mathcal{I}}$,

- (ii) there is a constant K > 0 such that $||B|| \le K ||B||_{\mathcal{I}}$ for all $B \in \mathcal{I}$,
- (iii) for all $A, C \in \mathcal{B}$ and all $B \in \mathcal{I}$ we have

$$||ABC||_{\mathcal{I}} \le ||A|| \, ||B||_{\mathcal{I}} \, ||C||.$$

Likewise, \mathcal{I} is a quasi-normed ideal if it has an ideal quasi-norm, which is a quasi-norm on \mathcal{I} satisfying properties (i)-(iii).

Definition 2.2. A trace on an ideal \mathcal{I} of \mathcal{B} is a linear functional $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}: \mathcal{I} \to \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(AB) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(BA), \qquad (A \in \mathcal{I}, B \in \mathcal{B}).$$

We say the trace is *positive* if

$$A \in \mathcal{I}, A \ge 0 \implies \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(A) \ge 0.$$

If \mathcal{I} has an ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$, we will say that a trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ is $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ —bounded if there is a constant M > 0 such that

$$|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(A)| \le M ||A||_{\mathcal{I}}, \qquad (A \in \mathcal{I}).$$

Note that the infimum of such constants M equals $\|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\|_{\mathcal{I}^*}$.

Note that the question of existence of traces on a given ideal \mathcal{I} is solved in the discrete case (i.e., $\mathcal{B} = B(\mathcal{H})$) in [11] and in the continuous (i.e., II_{∞} -factor) case in [12].

Our first order perturbation results will apply whenever we have a normed ideal \mathcal{I} and positive trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ on it that is bounded with respect to the ideal norm. As we will shortly see, Dixmier traces on Marcinkiewcz ideals provide examples of these.

By the characterizations of ideals in terms of (generalized) singular numbers, for every ideal \mathcal{I} of \mathcal{B} and every $\alpha > 0$, we have the ideal

$$\mathcal{I}^{\alpha} = \{ A \in \mathcal{B} \mid |A|^{1/\alpha} \in \mathcal{I} \}$$

of \mathcal{B} and by well known inequalities involving (generalized) singular numbers, we have that \mathcal{I}^n for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is spanned by the n-fold products of elements from \mathcal{I} . Note that whenever we have a positive trace on \mathcal{I} , we have the usual Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

$$|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(AB)| \le (\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|A|^2))^{1/2} (\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|B|^2))^{1/2}, \qquad (A, B \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}).$$
 (2.1)

For second order perturbation results, we will ask that $\mathcal{I}^{1/2}$ be a normed ideal equipped with an ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}^{1/2}}$ such that

$$||AB||_{\mathcal{I}} \le ||A||_{\mathcal{I}^{1/2}} ||B||_{\mathcal{I}^{1/2}}, \qquad (A, B \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}).$$
 (2.2)

Below we will give a criterion on Marcinkiewicz ideals that implies the existence of such an ideal norm on $\mathcal{I}^{1/2}$.

We conclude these preliminary remarks on ideals, norms and traces, with an easy result that will be used in later proofs involving dilations of contractions and dissipative operators.

Proposition 2.3. Let \mathcal{I} be a proper, nonzero ideal of a σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor \mathcal{B} and let \mathcal{H} be a separable Hilbert space. Let \mathcal{N} be a σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor containing \mathcal{B} as a corner, so that \mathcal{B} is identified with $p\mathcal{N}p$ for a projection $p \in \mathcal{N}$.

- (i) There is an ideal $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}$ of \mathcal{N} such that $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}} \cap \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{I}$.
- (ii) If $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ is an ideal norm on \mathcal{I} , then there is an ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ on $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}$ whose restriction to \mathcal{I} equals $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.
- (iii) If $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ is a trace on \mathcal{I} , then there is a trace $\tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ on $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}$ whose restriction to \mathcal{I} is $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$; moreover, if $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ is positive, then $\tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ is positive, while if the hypothesis of (ii) also holds and if $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ is $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ -bounded, then $\tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ is $\|\cdot\|_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ -bounded.

Proof. Let $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}$ be the ideal of \mathcal{N} whose characteristic set is $\mu(\mathcal{I})$. Then $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}} \cap \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{I}$. Since \mathcal{B} has a proper, nonzero ideal, it is an infinite von Neumann algebra. Consequently, p is an infinite projection in \mathcal{N} . Since \mathcal{N} is a σ -finite but infinite factor, there is an isometry $v \in \mathcal{N}$ whose range is p. Thus $x \mapsto vxv^*$ is a *-isomorphism from \mathcal{N} onto \mathcal{B} . Moreover, since for any $x \in \mathcal{N}$ we have $\mu(x) = \mu(vxv^*)$, we have $v\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}v^* = \mathcal{I}$.

In case (ii) we set $||x||_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}} = ||vxv^*||_{\mathcal{I}}$ while in case (iii) we let $\tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}(x) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(vxv^*)$. Now the assertions (ii) and (iii) are easily verified.

2.2. On Dixmier traces. The trace introduced by Dixmier [9] is a singular trace (i.e., non-normal in the technical sense of the term) on $B(\mathcal{H})$. The natural domain of definition of Dixmier's trace is the dual Macaev ideal $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ of $B(\mathcal{H})$, which is the set of operators $A \in B(\mathcal{H})$ such that

$$||A||_{\mathcal{I}} := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{\log(n+1)} \sum_{k=1}^{n} s_k(A) < \infty.$$

If ω is a dilation invariant state on $\ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$, then $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}: \mathcal{I} \to \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(A) = \omega \left(\frac{1}{\log(n+1)} \sum_{k=1}^{n} s_k(A) \right)$$
 (2.3)

for $A \geq 0$ is a positive trace on \mathcal{I} that is bounded with respect to the ideal norm. Note that Tr_{ω} vanishes on all finite rank operators.

More generally, we will consider Dixmier traces on Marcinkiewicz ideals associated to σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factors. (See [17], [6] and references therein, and note that we are concerned only with the Dixmier traces supported at ∞ , as described in [6].) Let ψ be a concave function satisfying

$$\lim_{t \to 0^+} \psi(t) = 0, \qquad \lim_{t \to \infty} \psi(t) = \infty.$$

Then the Marcinkiewicz ideal $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\psi}$ of \mathcal{B} and its ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ are defined by

$$\mathcal{I} = \left\{ A \in \mathcal{B} \middle| \|A\|_{\mathcal{I}} := \sup_{t>0} \frac{1}{\psi(t)} \int_0^t \mu_s(A) \, ds < \infty \right\}. \tag{2.4}$$

Remark 2.4. The discrete case, namely Marcinkiewicz ideals of $\mathcal{B}=B(\mathcal{H})$, can formally be included in the above formalism that applies in the continuous case. Given a function $\psi:\mathbb{N}\to(0,\infty)$ satisfying $\psi(n)+\psi(n+2)\leq 2\psi(n+1)$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty}\psi(n)=\infty$, by first adding a constant to ψ , if necessary, so that we may define $\tilde{\psi}(0)=0$ and still have $\tilde{\psi}(0)+\tilde{\psi}(2)\leq 2\tilde{\psi}(1)$, we may then extend ψ to a concave function $\tilde{\psi}:[0,\infty)\to[0,\infty)$ by piecewise linear interpolations. Now, as the generalized singular numbers of elements of $B(\mathcal{H})$ are constant on intervals [n-1,n) for $n\in\mathbb{N}$ and are zero on [0,1), we find that the definition of the norm in (2.4) is equivalent to

$$||A||_{\mathcal{I}} = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{\psi(n)} \sum_{k=1}^{n} s_k(A).$$

Proposition 2.5. Let $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\psi}$ be the Marcinkiewicz ideal of \mathcal{B} described by (2.4). For p > 0, the ideal $\mathcal{I}^{1/p}$ is equipped with the ideal quasi-norm

$$||B||_{\mathcal{I}^{1/p}} = (||B|^p||_{\mathcal{I}})^{1/p},$$
 (2.5)

which is a norm when $p \ge 1$ and a p-quasi-norm when 0 . If <math>p > 1, then letting q be such that $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, we have the Hölder-like inequality

$$||AB||_{\mathcal{I}} \le ||A||_{\mathcal{I}^{1/p}} ||B||_{\mathcal{I}^{1/q}} \qquad (A \in \mathcal{I}^{1/p}, B \in \mathcal{I}^{1/q}).$$
 (2.6)

Proof. The fact that (2.5) defines a norm when $p \ge 1$ follows from the Minkowski inequality for generalized singular numbers, ([14] Cor. 4.4(i)), while if 0 , then from Thm. 4.7(i) of [15] we have

$$||A + B||_{\tau^{1/p}}^p \le ||A||_{\tau^{1/p}}^p + ||B||_{\tau^{1/p}}^p, \qquad (A, B \in \mathcal{I}^{1/p}).$$

Therefore, $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}^{1/p}}$ is a p-quasi-norm.

Now the conditions (i)–(iii) in Definition 2.1 follow for $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}^{1/p}}$ from well known properties of (generalized) singular numbers. For the Hölder inequality (2.6), by Corollary 4.4(iii) of [14], we have

$$\frac{1}{\psi(t)} \int_0^t \mu_s(AB) \, ds \le \left(\frac{1}{\psi(t)} \int_0^t \mu_s(A)^p \, ds\right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{\psi(t)} \int_0^t \mu_s(B)^q \, ds\right)^{1/q} \\
\le \|A\|_{\mathcal{T}^{1/p}} \|B\|_{\mathcal{T}^{1/q}},$$

so taking the supremum over all t > 0 yields the desired inequality.

We now describe Dixmier traces on Marcinkiewicz ideals. By Theorem 2.2 of [6] (see also [10] and [17]), if

$$\liminf_{t \to \infty} \frac{\psi(2t)}{\psi(t)} = 1,$$

then a positive, $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ —bounded trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ on \mathcal{I} can be constructed analogously to (2.3), by, for $A \in \mathcal{I}$, $A \geq 0$, taking $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(A)$ to be a certain Banach limit of the quantity

$$\frac{1}{\psi(t)} \int_0^t \mu_s(B) \, ds \tag{2.7}$$

as $t \to \infty$. A trace constructed in this way is called a *Dixmier trace*.

Some of our results will apply when $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ vanishes on \mathcal{I}^{α} , for certain $\alpha > 1$.

Proposition 2.6. Consider a Marcinkiewicz ideal $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\psi}$ and let $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ be a Dixmier trace on it. Suppose that for some $0 < \epsilon < 1$ there is a constant C such that

$$\psi(s) \le Cs^{\epsilon}, \qquad (s \ge 1). \tag{2.8}$$

Then for all $\alpha > 1/(1 - \epsilon)$, we have $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^{\alpha}) = \{0\}$.

Proof. It will suffice to show: if $A \in \mathcal{I}^{\alpha}$ and $A \geq 0$, then $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(A) = 0$. Since $A^{1/\alpha} \in \mathcal{I}$, for $t \geq 1$ we have

$$t\mu_t(A)^{1/\alpha} = t\mu_t(A^{1/\alpha}) \le \int_0^t \mu_s(A^{1/\alpha}) \, ds \le \psi(t) \|A^{1/\alpha}\|_{\mathcal{I}} \le C_\epsilon t^\epsilon \|A^{1/\alpha}\|_{\mathcal{I}}$$

and we have

$$\mu_t(A) \le Dt^{-\alpha(1-\epsilon)}, \qquad (t \ge 1)$$

for a constant D independent of t. Consequently, the function $s \mapsto \mu_s(A)$ is integrable, and we have

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{\psi(t)} \int_0^t \mu_s(A) \, ds = 0,$$

which ensures $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(A) = 0$.

Note that, by the usual sorts of estimates, the hypotheses involving (2.8) of the above lemma are satisfied for all $\epsilon > 0$ if we have

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{\psi(2t)}{\psi(t)} = 1.$$

Indeed, for any C > 1 and t large enough, we have $\psi(2t) \leq C\psi(t)$, so for some t_0 and all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\psi(2^n t_0) \leq C^n \psi(t_0)$. Since ψ is increasing, we get

$$\limsup_{t \to \infty} \frac{\log(\psi(t))}{\log t} \le \frac{\log C}{\log 2} < \epsilon.$$

for C sufficiently close to 1. Thus, for example, we have $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(\mathcal{I}^{\alpha}) = \{0\}$ for all $\alpha > 1$, whenever $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ is a Dixmier trace defined as in (2.3) on $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)} \subseteq B(\mathcal{H})$.

2.3. Dilation theory for operators in semifinite von Neumann algebras. In this section we make some observations about the classical Sz.-Nagy dilation results (see [27]) for contractions and (possibly unbounded) dissipative operators, that are pertinent when working in semifinite von Neumann algebras. Recall that a unitary dilation of a contraction $T \in B(\mathcal{H})$ is a unitary $U \in B(\mathcal{K})$ for a Hilbert space \mathcal{K} containing \mathcal{H} as a closed subspace, such that $T^n = pU^n \upharpoonright_{\mathcal{H}}$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, where p is the orthogonal projection from \mathcal{K} onto \mathcal{H} .

Proposition 2.7. Let \mathcal{B} be a semifinite (or finite) von Neumann algebra with normal, faithful, semifinite (or finite) trace τ . Let $T \in \mathcal{B}$ be a contraction. Then there is a semifinite von Neumann algebra \mathcal{N} with normal faithful, semifinite trace $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ and a normal inclusion $\mathcal{B} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{N}$ sending the identity element $1_{\mathcal{B}}$ to a projection $p \in \mathcal{N}$, and there is a unitary element $U \in \mathcal{N}$ such that

- (a) the restriction of τ_N to the positive elements of \mathcal{B} agrees with τ ,
- (b) $p\mathcal{N}p = \mathcal{B}$ and the central support of p in \mathcal{N} is $1_{\mathcal{N}}$,

(c) for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$T^n = pU^n p.$$

Proof. We simply follow the proof contained in the first part of Chapt. I, Sec. 5 of [27]. If \mathcal{B} is normally unitally represented on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , then let

$$\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{B} \overline{\otimes} B(\ell^2(\mathbb{Z})) \subseteq B(\mathcal{H} \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z})).$$

Writing $(e_{ij})_{i,j\in\mathbb{Z}}$ for the usual system of matrix units in $B(\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$, we identify \mathcal{B} with $\mathcal{B}\otimes e_{00}$ and have $p=1_{\mathcal{B}}\otimes e_{00}$. Let

$$U = T \otimes e_{00} + D_T \otimes e_{-1,0} + D_{T^*} \otimes e_{01} - T^* \otimes e_{-1,1} + \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1,0\}} 1_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes e_{i,i+1}, \quad (2.9)$$

where $D_T = (1_{\mathcal{B}} - T^*T)^{1/2}$ and $D_{T^*} = (1_{\mathcal{B}} - TT^*)^{1/2}$ are the defect operators. Then U is unitary and the desired properties hold.

For future use, we now prove:

Lemma 2.8. For a semifinite von Neumann algebra \mathcal{B} , if $T \in \mathcal{B}$ is a contraction not having eigenvalue 1 and if U is the unitary dilation of T from Proposition 2.7, then U does not have eigenvalue 1.

Proof. Suppose $\xi \in \mathcal{H} \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z})$ and $U\xi = \xi$, and let us show ξ must be 0. We write $\xi = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \xi_n \otimes \delta_n$ for $\xi_n \in \mathcal{H}$ and using $U\xi = \xi$ and (2.9) we get $\xi_i = \xi_{i+1}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1, 0\}$. Since $\|\xi\|^2 = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \|\xi_i\|^2$ is finite, we must have $\xi_i = 0$ for $i \neq 0$. But then we must have $T\xi_0 = \xi_0$, and by hypothesis this implies $\xi_0 = 0$. So $\xi = 0$.

Now we turn to self-adjoint dilations of dissipative operators. This is a well understood theory, but we will run through some rudimentary parts of it, in order to do it in the setting of semifinite von Neumann algebras.

A dissipative operator A on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is a densely defined, possibly unbounded operator on \mathcal{H} satisfying $\operatorname{Im}\langle A\xi,\xi\rangle \geq 0$ for all ξ in the domain of A. The basic theory of dissipative operators can be found in Chapt. IV, Sec. 4 of [27]. It includes that every dissipative operator A_0 has a maximal dissipative operator extension A. Henceforth, we will use the term dissipative operator to mean a maximal dissipative operator.

A self-adjoint dilation of a dissipative operator on \mathcal{H} is a self-adjoint, densely defined, possibly unbounded operator X on a Hilbert space \mathcal{K} that contains \mathcal{H} as a closed subspace and such that, for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with Im z < 0, and every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$(A - zI_{\mathcal{H}})^{-k} = p(X - zI_{\mathcal{K}})^{-k} \upharpoonright_{\mathcal{H}}. \tag{2.10}$$

The Cayley transform of a maximal dissipative operator A is the unique contraction $T \in B(\mathcal{H})$ (not having eigenvalue 1) such that

$$A = i(1_{\mathcal{H}} + T)(1_{\mathcal{H}} - T)^{-1}.$$

(See Chapt. IV, Sec. 4 of [27].) Standard calculations then show that, for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with Im z < 0,

$$(A - z1_{\mathcal{H}})^{-1} = (i - z)^{-1} (1_{\mathcal{H}} - T) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z+i}{z-i}\right)^k T^k.$$
 (2.11)

For every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, taking the k-th power of (2.11) then yields

$$(A - z1_{\mathcal{H}})^{-k} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w_n(k, z) T^n$$

for complex numbers $w_n(k, z)$ such that $\sum_n |w_n(k, z)| < \infty$. If $U \in B(\mathcal{K})$ is a unitary dilation of T without eigenvalue 1, then taking the self-adjoint (possibly unbounded) operator $X = i(1_{\mathcal{K}} + U)(1_{\mathcal{K}} - U)^{-1}$, we have

$$(X - z1_{\mathcal{H}})^{-k} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w_n(k, z) U^n$$
 (Im $z < 0, k \in \mathbb{N}$)

and we see that X is a self-adjoint dilation of A. Employing this procedure with the unitary dilation obtained from Proposition 2.7 and using Lemma 2.8 to see that it has no eigenvalue 1, we get:

Proposition 2.9. Let \mathcal{B} be a semifinite (or finite) von Neumann algebra with normal, faithful, semifinite (or finite) trace τ . Let A be a dissipative operator affiliated to \mathcal{B} . Then there is a semifinite von Neumann algebra \mathcal{N} with normal faithful, semifinite trace $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ and a normal inclusion $\mathcal{B} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{N}$ sending the identity element $1_{\mathcal{B}}$ to a projection $p \in \mathcal{N}$ whose central support in \mathcal{N} is $1_{\mathcal{N}}$, and there is a self-adjoint operator X affiliated to \mathcal{N} such that the restriction of $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ to the positive elements of \mathcal{B} agrees with τ , $p\mathcal{N}p = \mathcal{B}$, and (2.10) holds for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Im} z < 0$ and all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

3. Existence of spectral shift measures

We start by recollecting some main ideas used in the proofs of existence of the (first order) spectral shift measures for the normal trace Tr on $B(\mathcal{H})$ and self-adjoint or unitary operators.

In the original proof of Krein [19,20], existence of the absolutely continuous spectral shift measures was first established for finite rank perturbations and then transferred to trace class perturbations by approximations. This approach is not applicable to singular traces.

Another proof of existence of the spectral shift measures was derived in [4] via double operator integration. In case of self-adjoint operators H_0 , V, with V in the trace class, the spectral shift measure is given by the explicit formula

$$\mu_{H_0,V}(d\lambda) = \int_0^1 \operatorname{Tr}(E_{H_0+tV}(d\lambda)V) dt$$

(see [4]), which is derived as follows:

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)\right) = \int_0^1 \operatorname{Tr}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(H_0+tV)\right) dt$$
$$= \int_0^1 \int_{\mathbb{R}} f'(\lambda)\operatorname{Tr}\left(E_{H_0+tV}(d\lambda)V\right) dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f'(\lambda)\left(\int_0^1 \operatorname{Tr}\left(E_{H_0+tV}(d\lambda)V\right) dt\right).$$

Change of the order of integration above is justified by boundedness of f', finiteness of the measure $\text{Tr}(E_{H_0+tV}(\cdot)V)$, and measurability of the function $t \mapsto \text{Tr}(E_{H_0+tV}(d\lambda)V)$.

Measurability of $t \mapsto \operatorname{Tr}(E_{H_0+tV}(d\lambda)V)$ (see, e.g., [1, Lemma 6.2]) relies on the following continuity property of the normal trace (see, e.g., [1, Lemma 2.5]): if $\{A_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha}$ is a uniformly bounded net of operators in $B(\mathcal{H})$ converging in the strong operator topology to $A \in B(\mathcal{H})$, and V is in the trace class, then $\{\operatorname{Tr}(A_{\alpha}V)\}_{\alpha}$ converges to $\operatorname{Tr}(AV)$.

We now show that, in case of a Dixmier trace $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ defined on the Marcinkiewicz ideal $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ of $B(\mathcal{H})$, the finitely additive measure $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(E_{H_0}(\cdot)V)$ can fail to be countably additive.

Example 3.1. If H_0 is an unbounded self-adjoint operator with discrete spectrum (that is, the spectrum of H_0 consists of isolated eigenvalues of finite multiplicities), then $E_{H_0}(\Delta)$ is a finite rank projection whenever Δ is a bounded interval and $E_{H_0}(\mathbb{R}) = I$. Hence,

$$\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(E_{H_0}(\Delta)V) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \Delta \text{ is a bounded interval} \\ \operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}(V) & \text{if } \Delta = \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

For the remainder of this section, we work with a normed ideal \mathcal{I} of a σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor \mathcal{B} , with ideal norm denoted $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$, and endowed with a trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}: \mathcal{I} \to \mathbb{C}$ that is positive and $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ -bounded. (Note that the case $\mathcal{B} = B(\mathcal{H}), \mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}} = \operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ is a special case of this.) We will prove the trace formula (1.1) (or rather, its generalization changing $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ to $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$) under any of the following assumptions (see also Remark 3.11 and Theorem 3.12).

Hypotheses 3.2. A set Ω , a closed, densely defined operator H_0 affiliated to \mathcal{B} , an operator $V \in \mathcal{I}$ and a space \mathcal{F} of functions are taken to satisfy any of the following assertions.

- (i) $\Omega = \text{conv} (\sigma(H_0) \cup \sigma(H_0 + V)), H_0 = H_0^* \in \mathcal{B}, V = V^*, \mathcal{F} = C^3(\mathbb{R});$
- (ii) $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$, $\operatorname{Im}(H_0) \ge 0$, $\operatorname{Im}(H_0 + V) \ge 0$, and

$$\mathcal{F} = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \lambda \mapsto (z - \lambda)^{-k} : k \in \mathbb{N}, \operatorname{Im}(z) < 0 \right\};$$

(iii) $\Omega = \mathbb{T}$, $||H_0|| \leq 1$, $||H_0 + V|| \leq 1$, and \mathcal{F} is the set of all functions that are analytic on discs centered at 0 and of radius strictly larger than 1.

Theorem 3.3. Let Ω , H_0 , V and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 3.2. Then, there exists a (countably additive, complex) measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ on Ω such that for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$, the trace formula

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)) = \int_{\Omega} f'(\lambda) \,\mu_{H_0,V}(d\lambda) \tag{3.1}$$

holds. Moreover, the total variation of $\mu_{H_0,V}$ is bounded as follows:

$$\|\mu_{H_0,V}\| \le \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|\operatorname{Re}(V)|) + \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|\operatorname{Im}(V)|).$$
(3.2)

If Hypotheses 3.2(i) are satisfied, then the measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ is real and unique.

Remark 3.4. By applying Theorem 3.3 under Hypotheses 3.2(ii) and then taking complex conjugates, or by rescaling the operators and applying the theorem under Hypotheses 3.2(iii), we also get the theorem under either of the following hypotheses:

- (iv) $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$, $H_0 = H_0^*$ (possibly unbounded) and $V = V^*$, with $\mathcal{F} = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \lambda \mapsto (z \lambda)^{-k} : k \in \mathbb{N}, \operatorname{Im}(z) \neq 0 \right\};$
- (v) $H_0 \in \mathcal{B}$, $\Omega = a\mathbb{T}$ for any $a \geq \max(\|H_0\|, \|H_0 + V\|)$ and \mathcal{F} the set of all functions that are analytic on discs centered at 0 and of radius strictly larger than a.

Before proceeding to the proof, let us explain some assertions of the above hypotheses.

- (1) The operator function f(H) is determined by the values of a scalar function f on the spectrum of $H = H^*$. Hence in 3.2(i), f(H) = g(H), for any $g \in C_c^3(\mathbb{R})$ that agrees with f on $\sigma(H)$ and, without weakening the results of the paper, we will prove the formula in this case only for $f \in C_c^3(\mathbb{R})$. Further comments on the set \mathcal{F} of functions will be made in Remark 3.9.
- (2) The condition of both H_0 and $H_0 + V$ being dissipative (or contractive) is imposed to make sure that the path $H_0 + tV = (1 t)H_0 + t(H_0 + V)$, $t \in [0, 1]$, consists entirely of dissipative operators (or contractions).

The following lemmas are building blocks for the proof of existence of the spectral shift measure and the trace formula (3.1). The first of these is routine.

Lemma 3.5. (i) For H_0 an operator affiliated with \mathcal{B} and for $V \in \mathcal{B}$, any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\sup_{t \in [0,1]} \|(zI - H_0 - tV)^{-1}\| < \infty, \tag{3.3}$$

we have

$$(zI - H_0 - V)^{-k} - (zI - H_0)^{-k} = \sum_{\substack{1 \le k_0, k_1 \le k \\ k_0 + k_1 = k + 1}} (zI - H_0 - V)^{-k_0} V (zI - H_0)^{-k_1},$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} ((zI - H_0 - tV)^{-k}) = \sum_{\substack{1 \le k_0, k_1 \le k \\ k_0 + k_1 = k + 1}} (zI - H_0 - tV)^{-k_0} V (zI - H_0 - tV)^{-k_1}.$$

Note that when $\text{Im}(H_0) \geq 0$ and $\text{Im}(H_0 + V) \geq 0$, then (3.3) holds whenever Im(z) < 0, while if $H_0 = H_0^*$, $V = V^*$, then z can be taken to be any complex number with $\text{Im}(z) \neq 0$;

(ii) Let $H_0, V \in \mathcal{B}$. Then, for $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(H_0 + V)^k - H_0^k = \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} (H_0 + V)^{k_0} V H_0^{k_1},$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} ((H_0 + tV)^k) = \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} (H_0 + tV)^{k_0} V (H_0 + tV)^{k_1}.$$

If H_0 is bounded, then Gâteaux derivatives $\frac{d}{dt}f(H_0+tV)$ can be computed for more general scalar functions f. Let W_n denote the set of functions $f \in C^n(\mathbb{R})$ such that $f^{(j)}, \widehat{f^{(j)}} \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, for $j = 0, \ldots, n$. The set W_n includes $C_c^{n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ and span $\{\mathbb{R} \ni \lambda \mapsto (z-\lambda)^{-k} : k \in \mathbb{N}, \operatorname{Im}(z) \neq 0\}$.

Lemma 3.6. (i) Let $H_0 = H_0^* \in \mathcal{B}$ and $V = V^* \in \mathcal{I}$. Then, for every $f \in W_1$,

$$f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) = \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda - x)(H_0 + V)} V e^{\mathrm{i}xH_0} \hat{f}(\lambda) \, dx \, d\lambda$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt}\bigg|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) = \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda - x)H_0} V e^{\mathrm{i}xH_0} \hat{f}(\lambda) \, dx \, d\lambda,$$

with the Bochner integrals evaluated in the ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

(ii) Let $||H_0|| \le 1$, $V \in \mathcal{I}$, and $||H_0 + V|| \le 1$. Then, for every f analytic on a disc of radius r > 1 centered at 0,

$$f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} (H_0 + V)^{k_0} V H_0^{k_1}$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} H_0^{k_0} V H_0^{k_1},$$

where the series converge in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

Proof. (i) By the functional calculus,

$$||e^{iyH} - e^{iy'H}|| \le |y - y'| \cdot ||H||.$$

Therefore, the function

$$x \mapsto e^{i(\lambda - x)(H_0 + V)} V e^{ixH_0}$$

is uniformly continuous in the ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ and we have Duhamel's formula (see, e.g., [1, Lemma 5.2])

$$e^{i\lambda(H_0+V)} - e^{i\lambda H_0} = i \int_0^{\lambda} e^{i(\lambda-x)(H_0+V)} V e^{ixH_0} dx,$$

with the integral converging in the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$. Likewise, the function

$$(x,\lambda) \mapsto e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda-x)(H_0+V)} V e^{\mathrm{i}xH_0}$$

is uniformly continuous. Since $\hat{f}' \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, by the spectral theorem and Fourier inversion,

$$f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(e^{i\lambda(H_0 + V)} - e^{i\lambda H_0} \right) \hat{f}(\lambda) d\lambda$$
$$= \frac{i}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} e^{i(\lambda - x)(H_0 + V)} V e^{ixH_0} \hat{f}(\lambda) dx d\lambda,$$

where the multiple Bochner integral converges in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

By the same method as above,

$$\frac{f(H_0 + tV) - f(H_0)}{t} = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} e^{i(\lambda - x)(H_0 + tV)} V e^{ixH_0} \hat{f}(\lambda) \, dx \, d\lambda,$$
$$\left\| e^{i(\lambda - x)(H_0 + tV)} - e^{i(\lambda - x)H_0} \right\| \le |t| \cdot |\lambda - x| \cdot \|V\|.$$

Thus, we have

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \left\| e^{i(\lambda - x)(H_0 + tV)} V e^{ixH_0} - e^{i(\lambda - x)H_0} V e^{ixH_0} \right\|_{\mathcal{I}} = 0,$$

for all $(\lambda, x) \in \{(s_0, s_1) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |s_1| \le |s_0|, \operatorname{sign}(s_0) = \operatorname{sign}(s_1)\}$. Since $\hat{f}' \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, by the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem for Bochner integrals,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) = \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda - x)H_0} V e^{\mathrm{i}xH_0} \hat{f}(\lambda) \, dx \, d\lambda, \tag{3.4}$$

where the integral converges in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

(ii) Note that $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k)z^k$ and $f'(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k\hat{f}(k)z^{k-1}$, where the series converge absolutely for $z \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$. Thus, the formula for the operator derivative follows from the representation for the difference of operator monomials in Lemma 3.5 (ii) and convergence of the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(k)|$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |k\hat{f}(k)|$.

Lemma 3.7. Let H_0 , V, and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 3.2. Then for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(H_0+tV)\right) = \frac{d}{dt}\,\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f(H_0+tV)-f(H_0)\right).$$

Proof. Assume first that Hypotheses 3.2(i) are satisfied. By $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ -boundedness of the trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ and Lemma 3.6 (both the result and the method of the proof),

$$\frac{d}{dt}\bigg|_{t=t_0} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \Big(f(H_0 + tV) - f(H_0) \Big)
= \lim_{t \to t_0} \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \Big(e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda - x)(H_0 + tV)} V e^{\mathrm{i}x(H_0 + t_0V)} \Big) \hat{f}(\lambda) \, dx \, d\lambda
= \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^{\lambda} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \Big(e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda - x)(H_0 + t_0V)} V e^{\mathrm{i}x(H_0 + t_0V)} \Big) \hat{f}(\lambda) \, dx \, d\lambda
= \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \bigg|_{t=t_0} f(H_0 + tV) \right).$$

Assume now that Hypotheses 3.2(ii) are satisfied. It is enough to prove the lemma for $f(\lambda) = (z - \lambda)^{-k}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, in which case we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=t_0} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \Big(f(H_0 + tV) - f(H_0) \Big)
= \lim_{t \to t_0} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{f(H_0 + tV) - f(H_0 + t_0V)}{t - t_0} \right)
= \lim_{t \to t_0} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\sum_{\substack{1 \le k_0, k_1 \le k \\ k_0 + k_1 = k + 1}} (zI - H_0 - tV)^{-k_0} V (zI - H_0 - t_0V)^{-k_1} \right),$$

which by the resolvent identity and $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ —boundedness of $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ equals

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\sum_{\substack{1 \le k_0, k_1 \le k \\ k_0 + k_1 = k + 1}} (zI - H_0 - t_0 V)^{-k_0} V (zI - H_0 - t_0 V)^{-k_1} \right).$$

Application of Lemma 3.5 completes the proof of the lemma assuming 3.2(ii).

If Hypotheses 3.2(iii) are satisfied, then the lemma can be proved similarly to Lemma 3.6(ii). \Box

Lemma 3.8. Let H be a normal operator affiliated to \mathcal{B} and $V \in \mathcal{I}$. Then, for any finite Borel partition $\{\delta_i\}_{i=1}^n$ of \mathbb{C} ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(E_{H}(\delta_{i}) V \right) \right| \leq \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\left| \operatorname{Re}(V) \right| \right) + \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\left| \operatorname{Im}(V) \right| \right).$$

Proof. Assume first that $V = V^*$. Decompose $V = V_+ - V_-$, with $0 \le V_+, V_- \in \mathcal{I}$. Then,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(E_{H}(\delta_{i}) V_{\pm} \right) \right| = \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(E_{H}(\cup_{i=1}^{n} \delta_{i}) V_{\pm} \right) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(V_{\pm} \right).$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(E_{H}(\delta_{i}) V \right) \right| \leq \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V_{+}) + \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V_{-}) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|V|).$$

If V is not self-adjoint, then we decompose V = Re(V) + i Im(V) and apply the just established estimate to Re(V) and Im(V).

Theorem 3.9. Let Ω , H_0 , V, and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 3.2. Then for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$ and all values of $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right| \le \|f'\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \cdot \left(\tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(|\operatorname{Re}(V)| \right) + \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(|\operatorname{Im}(V)| \right) \right). \tag{3.5}$$

Proof. Assume that Hypotheses 3.2(i) are satisfied. Without loss of generality we assume $f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R})$; hence, $f \in W_2$. By $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ -boundedness of the trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$, Lemma

3.6(i), and cyclicity of traces

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(H_{0}+tV)\right) = \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}}^{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\lambda} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(e^{\mathrm{i}(\lambda-x)(H_{0}+tV)}Ve^{\mathrm{i}x(H_{0}+tV)}\right)\hat{f}(\lambda) dx d\lambda$$

$$= \frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(e^{\mathrm{i}\lambda(H_{0}+tV)}V\right)\lambda\hat{f}(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$= \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{\mathrm{i}\lambda(H_{0}+tV)}\lambda\hat{f}(\lambda) d\lambda V\right)$$

$$= \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f'(H_{0}+tV)V\right).$$

For later use, we note that from the representation

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(H_0+tV)\right) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f'(H_0+tV)V),$$

we immediately have the bound

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right| \le \|f'\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \| \cdot \|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\|_{\mathcal{I}^*} \cdot \|V\|_{\mathcal{I}}.$$

By the spectral theorem, $f'(H_0 + tV)$ can be approximated by a sequence of finite sums $\left\{\sum_{j=1}^n f'(\lambda_j^{(n)}) E_{H_0+tV}(\delta_j^{(n)})\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in the uniform operator topology. Hence, we have

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f'(H_0 + tV)V) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f'(\lambda_j^{(n)}) \, \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(E_{H_0 + tV}(\delta_j^{(n)})V).$$

Finally, Lemma 3.8 ensures the estimate (3.5).

Assume Hypotheses 3.2(iii). We will prove the estimate (3.5) for every derivative $\left|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}\big|_{t=t_0}f(H_0+tV)\right)\right|$, with $t_0 \in [0,1]$. The case of H_0 unitary and $t_0=0$ can be handled in a straightforward manner using Lemma 3.6(ii). The case of H_0 and H_0+V contractions then follows using unitary dilations. Indeed, from Proposition 2.7, we have a unitary dilation U_{t_0} of H_0+t_0V in some σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor \mathcal{N} with a trace-preserving identification of \mathcal{B} with $p\mathcal{N}p$ for a projection $p \in \mathcal{N}$. Consider the ideal $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \mathcal{N}$ with ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ and trace $\tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ from Proposition 2.3. Then

$$g(H_0 + tV) = p g(U_t)p$$

for every polynomial g. Hence, using Lemma 3.6(ii) twice, we get

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=t_0} f(H_0 + tV) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} (H_0 + t_0 V)^{k_0} V(H_0 + t_0 V)^{k_1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} p(U_{t_0})^{k_0} pV p(U_{t_0})^{k_1} p$$

$$= p\left(\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(U_{t_0} + tV)\right) p,$$

where $V = pVp \in \mathcal{B} = p\mathcal{N}p$. By the estimate (3.5) for a unitary operator,

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right| = \left| \tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}} \left(p \left(\frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(U_0 + tV) \right) p \right) \right|$$

$$= \left| \tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(U_0 + tV) \right) \right|$$

$$\leq \|f'\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \cdot \left(\tau_{\mathcal{I}} (|\operatorname{Re}(V)|) + \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (|\operatorname{Im}(V)|) \right).$$

Now we assume that Hypotheses 3.2(ii) are satisfied. Due to the linearity of $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ and the Gâteaux derivative of the operator function, it is enough to prove the lemma for $f(\lambda) = (z - \lambda)^{-k}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\operatorname{Im}(z) < 0$. Let L_{t_0} be the self-adjoint dilation of the dissipative operator $H_0 + t_0 V$ as constructed in Proposition 2.9, with projection p such that $p f'(L_{t_0})p = f'(H_0 + t_0 V)$ and $p \mathcal{N} p = \mathcal{B}$. Again, let $\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}$, $\|\cdot\|_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ and $\tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}}$ be as in Proposition 2.3. By Lemma 3.5(i) and the cyclicity of traces,

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=t_0} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right| = \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (f'(H_0 + t_0 V)V) \right|$$
$$= \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (pf'(L_{t_0})pVp) \right| = \left| \tau_{\widetilde{\mathcal{I}}} (f'(L_{t_0})V) \right|$$

As in the above proof in the case that Hypotheses 3.2(i) hold, since f' is bounded and L_{t_0} is self-adjoint and using Lemma 3.8, we conclude that (3.5) holds.

Remark 3.10. Unitary dilations were applied in [25] to derive estimates for standard traces (defined on trace class elements of $B(\mathcal{H})$) of higher order Gâteaux derivatives of polynomials of contractions.

Our first main theorem is proved below.

Proof of Theorem 3.3. One can see by the argument (based on the representations for operator derivatives from Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6 and the resolvent identity) used in Lemma 3.7 that the function $t \mapsto \frac{d}{dt} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (f(H_0 + tV) - f(H_0))$ is continuous. Along with Lemma 3.7, this implies

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0)) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} \, \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0 + tV) - f(H_0)) \, dt$$
$$= \int_0^1 \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} f(H_0 + tV)\right) \, dt.$$

Hence, by Theorem 3.9, we have

$$\left|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)\right)\right| \leq \|f'\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \cdot \left(\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(|\operatorname{Re}(V)|\right)+\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(|\operatorname{Im}(V)|\right)\right). \tag{3.6}$$

Now the function

$$f' \mapsto \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \big(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) \big) \tag{3.7}$$

is well defined on the set of derivatives of the allowable functions in the various cases of Hypotheses 3.2, and we have just seen in (3.6) that it is bounded with respect to the supremum norm in $C_0(\Omega)$. By extending continuously to the closure and employing the Hahn–Banach theorem, if necessary, we get a bounded linear functional on $C_0(\Omega)$ that extends the map (3.7). By the Riesz representation theorem, this map arises as

integration against a complex, finite Borel measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$, with the bound on total variation as desired.

Remark 3.11. This paper does not aim to find the most general sets of functions \mathcal{F} for which the trace formula (3.1) holds. For instance, if $H_0 = H_0^*$ and $V = V^*$, then in case of H_0 bounded, (3.1) also holds for $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ such that f, f', f'' are Fourier-Stieltjes transforms of finite measures and, in case of H_0 unbounded, for f representable in the form $f(\lambda) = \int_{\Pi} \frac{1}{\lambda - z} \varpi(dz)$, where $\Pi \subseteq \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ and the measure ϖ satisfies $\int_{\Pi} \frac{1}{|\operatorname{Im}(z)|^k} |\varpi|(dz) < \infty$, for k = 1, 2.

In case of H_0 and V unitary operators, considering multiplicative perturbations allows to extend (3.1) to the functions f which along with f' and f'' are given by absolutely convergent Fourier series.

Theorem 3.12. Let $V \in \mathcal{I}$ and assume that $H_0 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $H_0 + V$ are unitary. Let \mathcal{F} be the set of all functions f on the unit circle such that $f(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k)z^k$, for all $z \in \mathbb{T}$, and $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |k(k-1)\hat{f}(k)| < \infty$. Then, there is a measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ on the unit circle such that the trace formula (3.1) holds for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$, and its total variation is bounded by $\|\mu_{H_0,V}\| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \|V\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

Proof. One can represent the unitary $(H_0 + V)H_0^{-1}$ as e^{iT} , where $T = T^*$ and the spectrum of T is contained in $(-\pi, \pi]$. From the inequality $\frac{2}{\pi}|x| \leq |e^{ix} - 1|$, for $x \in (-\pi, \pi]$, one has by the spectral theorem that

$$|T| \le \frac{\pi}{2} |e^{iT} - I| = \frac{\pi}{2} |(H_0 + V)H_0^{-1} - I| = \frac{\pi}{2} |VH_0^{-1}|.$$

Hence, $T \in \mathcal{I}$ and

$$||T||_{\mathcal{I}} \le \frac{\pi}{2} ||V||_{\mathcal{I}}.$$
 (3.8)

Consider the path of unitaries $t \mapsto U_t = e^{iTt}H_0$ joining H_0 and $H_0 + V$. Since $\frac{d}{dt}U_t = iTU_t$ and $\frac{d}{dt}U_t^{-1} = U_t^{-1}(-iT)$, employing Lemma 3.5 (ii), we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}f(U_t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} U_t^{k_0} iT U_t^{k_1 + 1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} -\hat{f}(-k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} U_t^{-k_0 - 1} iT U_t^{-k_1},$$

where the series converge in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$. Further, by cyclicity of the trace, we get

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(U_t)\right) = i\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k\hat{f}(k)\,\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(U_t^k\,T\right) + i\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} -k\hat{f}(-k)\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(U_t^{-k}\,T\right)$$
$$= \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(i\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} k\hat{f}(k)U_t^{k-1}\,U_tT\right) = i\,\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f'(U_t)U_tT\right).$$

Hence, by the estimate (3.8),

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{dt} f(U_t) \right) \right| \le \frac{\pi}{2} \| f' \|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} \cdot \| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \|_{\mathcal{I}^*} \cdot \| V \|_{\mathcal{I}}. \tag{3.9}$$

Note that by Lemma 3.5 (ii),

$$f'(U_t)U_t - f'(U_{t_0})U_{t_0} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} k\hat{f}(k) \left(U_t^k - U_{t_0}^k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k\hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} U_t^{k_0} \left(U_t - U_{t_0} \right) U_t^{k_1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} -k\hat{f}(-k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} U_t^{-k_0} \left(U_t^{-1} - U_{t_0}^{-1} \right) U_t^{-k_1}.$$

By Duhamel's formula,

$$||U_t - U_{t_0}|| \le |t - t_0| \cdot ||T||, \quad ||U_t^{-1} - U_{t_0}^{-1}|| \le |t - t_0| \cdot ||T||.$$

Therefore,

$$||f'(U_t)U_t - f'(U_{t_0})U_{t_0}|| \le |t - t_0| \cdot ||T|| \cdot \sum_{k = -\infty}^{\infty} |k(k-1)\hat{f}(k)|,$$

implying that the function $t \mapsto f'(U_t)U_tT$ is uniformly continuous in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$. Hence, the function

$$t \mapsto \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(U_t)\right) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f'(U_t)U_tT\right)$$

is uniformly continuous. One can verify that

$$\frac{d}{dt}\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(U_t) - f(U_0)) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(U_t)\right).$$

Hence, by the fundamental theorem of calculus,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\big(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)\big) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\big(f(U_t)-f(U_0)\big) dt = \int_0^1 \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(U_t)\right) dt,$$

which along with (3.9), the Riesz representation and Hahn-Banach theorems completes the proof.

We now prove the linearization formula (1.2), and also its analogue in a more general context of σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factors.

Theorem 3.13. Assume Hypotheses 3.2 and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^2) = \{0\}$. Then

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0)) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f'(H_0)V). \tag{3.10}$$

Proof. If Hypotheses 3.2(i) holds, then without loss of generality, we can assume that f is compactly supported and, hence, $f \in W_2$. Then, by Lemma 3.6, Duhamel's formula, and the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem for Bochner integrals,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f(H_{0}+V)-f(H_{0})-\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0}f(H_{0}+tV)\right)
=-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}}\int_{0}^{x_{0}}\int_{0}^{x_{0}-x_{1}}e^{\mathrm{i}(x_{0}-x_{1}-x_{2})(H_{0}+V)}Ve^{\mathrm{i}x_{2}H_{0}}Ve^{\mathrm{i}x_{1}H_{0}}\hat{f}(x_{0})\,dx_{2}\,dx_{1}\,dx_{0}\right)
=-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\int_{\mathbb{R}}\int_{0}^{x_{0}}\int_{0}^{x_{0}-x_{1}}\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(e^{\mathrm{i}(x_{0}-x_{1}-x_{2})(H_{0}+V)}Ve^{\mathrm{i}x_{2}H_{0}}Ve^{\mathrm{i}x_{1}H_{0}}\right)\hat{f}(x_{0})\,dx_{2}\,dx_{1}\,dx_{0}.$$

By assumption, the latter integral equals zero. It was established in the course of the proof of Theorem 3.9 that

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{dt}f(H_0+tV)\right) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f'(H_0+tV)V).$$

Therefore, we have

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0))=\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f'(H_0)V).$$

The proof of (3.10) under Hypotheses 3.2(ii) or (iii) is even simpler. We have that the crucial property $(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) - \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV)) \in \mathcal{I}^2$ immediately follows from Lemma 3.5 (i) and Lemma 3.6 (ii).

4. Properties of spectral shift measures

The goal of this section is to establish properties of the spectral shift measures that are distinct from those that we have in the case of normal traces.

For the next three propositions, suppose \mathcal{I} is a normed ideal with ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ and a positive, $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ -bounded trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$.

Proposition 4.1. Assume Hypotheses 3.2. If $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|\text{Re}(V)|) + \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|\text{Im}(V)|) = 0$, then Theorem 3.3 holds with $\mu_{H_0,V} = 0$.

Proof. The result immediately follows from the estimate (3.2) for the total variation of the measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$.

In particular, for $\mathcal{B} = B(\mathcal{H})$, $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}} = \text{Tr}_{\omega}$, we have that the spectral shift measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ vanishes when its counterpart for the standard trace is defined, namely, when V is trace class.

Proposition 4.2. Let $H_0 = aI$, for $a \in \mathbb{R}$, and let $V = V^* \in \mathcal{I}$. Under Hypotheses 3.2(i) and assuming $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^2) = \{0\}$, then $\mu_{H_0,V} = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V) \delta_a$.

Proof. Using direct calculation and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^2) = \{0\}$, we get

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}((aI+V)^k - a^k I) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k}{j} a^{k-j} V^j\right) = ka^{k-1} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V).$$

So by Theorem 3.3,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}((aI+V)^k - a^k I) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} k\lambda^{k-1} \,\mu_{H_0,V}(dt),$$

for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, the denseness of the polynomials in the space of real-valued continuous functions on a compact ($\mu_{H_0,V}$ is compactly supported because H_0 is bounded) implies the result.

The next proposition gives a sufficient condition for absolute continuity (with respect to the Lebesgue measure) of the spectral shift measures for pairs of contractions.

Proposition 4.3. Under Hypotheses 3.2(iii) and assuming $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^2) = \{0\}$, if $H_0, V \in \mathcal{I}$, then Theorem 3.3 holds with the measure $\mu_{H_0,V}$ absolutely continuous and, in fact, a constant multiple of Haar measure on the unit circle.

Proof. Since $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(H_0^2) = 0$ and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(H_0V) = 0$, we derive from Lemma 3.5 (ii) that for f a polynomial,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0)) = \begin{cases} a \, \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V) & \text{if } f(z) = az \\ 0 & \text{if } f \in \text{span}\{z^2, z^3, z^4, \ldots\}. \end{cases}$$

Comparison with the trace formula (3.1) gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} z^n d\mu_{H_0,V}(z) = \begin{cases} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V) & \text{if } n = 0\\ 0 & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

For the remainder of this section, we focus on the case when $\mathcal{B} = B(\mathcal{H})$, $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}} = \text{Tr}_{\omega}$, and we show that any finite positive measure supported in a compact subset of \mathbb{R} is the spectral shift measure for a pair of commuting self-adjoint operators.

Theorem 4.4. Let σ be any finite positive measure having bounded support in the real line. Then there are (commuting) diagonal operators $H_0 = H_0^* \in B(\mathcal{H})$ and $V = V_0^* \in \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ such that, under Hypotheses 3.2(i), we have $\mu_{H_0,V} = \sigma$ in Theorem 3.3.

In the proof, we will use the following easy result.

Lemma 4.5. Let M > 0, $p \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\epsilon > 0$. Let $a_1, \ldots, a_p \in [-M, M]$ and consider the measures

$$\mu = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} \delta_{a_k}, \qquad \tilde{\mu} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} w_k \delta_{a_k}$$

where $w_k \in (1 - \epsilon, 1 + \epsilon)$ for all k and $\sum_{k=1}^p w_k = p$. Then for all $f \in C([-M, M])$ we have

$$\left| \int f \, d\mu - \int f \, d\tilde{\mu} \right| \le \epsilon ||f||_{\infty},$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ is the supremum norm on C([-M, M]).

Proof.

$$\left| \int f \, d\mu - \int f \, d\tilde{\mu} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} f(a_k) (1 - w_k) \right| \le \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} |f(a_k)| \, |1 - w_k| \le \epsilon ||f||_{\infty}.$$

Proof of Theorem 4.4. Without loss of generality suppose σ is a probability measure. Let M > 0 be such that the support of σ lies in [-M, M]. The basic idea is simple: to write H_0 as a direct sum of diagonal blocks whose spectral measures approximate better and better σ , and so that the blocks are small enough that the variation caused by the weight $\frac{1}{n}$ from V makes only small distortions. In particular, using standard approximation techniques we can find positive integers $p(1), p(2), \ldots$ and

$$a_1^{(i)}, a_2^{(i)}, \dots, a_{p(i)}^{(i)} \in [-M, M]$$

such that, letting $q(i) = p(1) + p(2) + \cdots + p(i)$, we have

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \frac{p(i+1)}{q(i)} = 0 \tag{4.1}$$

and letting

$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{p(i)} \sum_{k=1}^{p(i)} \delta_{a_k^{(i)}},$$

the sequence $(\mu_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$ of measures converges in weak*-topology on $C([-M, M])^*$ to σ . Indeed, to find $a_j^{(i)}$ so that the measures μ_i converge as required without requiring (4.1) to hold is a standard discretization argument, and ensuring (4.1) holds can be accomplished by sufficient repetition of the blocks $a_1^{(i)}, a_2^{(i)}, \ldots, a_{p(i)}^{(i)}$, if necessary. Let

$$A^{(i)} = \operatorname{diag}(a_1^{(i)}, \dots, a_{p(i)}^{(i)})$$

and consider the diagonal bounded operator $H_0 = A^{(1)} \oplus A^{(2)} \oplus \cdots \in B(\mathcal{H})$. Let $V = \operatorname{diag}((\frac{1}{n})_{n=1}^{\infty})$. Then $V \in \mathcal{I}$. We will show $\mu_{H_0,V} = \sigma$.

For ease of calculation, we will alter the formula for $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ by replacing $\log(n+1)$ in the denominator of (2.3) by $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n}$. Clearly, this alters the value of $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ only by a strictly positive multiplicative constant.

Since $\operatorname{Tr}_{\omega}$ vanishes on \mathcal{I}^2 , we have

$$\int (k\lambda^{k-1}) d\mu_{H_0,V}(\lambda) = \text{Tr}_{\omega}((H_0 + V)^k - H_0^k)$$

$$= k \text{Tr}_{\omega}(H_0^{k-1}V) = k \lim_{N \to \omega} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N}} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{j} b_j^{k-1},$$

where

$$(b_1, b_2, \ldots) = (a_1^{(1)}, \ldots, a_{p(1)}^{(1)}, a_1^{(2)}, \ldots, a_{p(2)}^{(2)}, \ldots).$$

Since the supports of $\mu_{H_0,V}$ and σ are bounded, it will suffice to show

$$\int \lambda^{k-1} d\mu_{H_0,V}(\lambda) = \int \lambda^{k-1} d\sigma(\lambda)$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and we will actually prove the stronger statement

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N}} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{1}{j} b_j^{k-1} = \int \lambda^{k-1} d\sigma(\lambda). \tag{4.2}$$

Let

$$s(i) = \sum_{i=1}^{p(i)} \frac{1}{q(i-1)+j}.$$

Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $l \geq 1$ be such that $q(l) < N \leq q(l+1)$. Then

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N} = s(1) + s(2) + \dots + s(l) + e,$$

where $e = \sum_{j=1}^{N-q(l)} \frac{1}{q(l)+j}$. We have

$$\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N}} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{1}{j} b_{j}^{k-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s(1) + \dots + s(l) + e} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{l} \sum_{j=1}^{p(i)} \frac{1}{q(i-1) + j} (a_{j}^{(i)})^{k-1} + \sum_{j=1}^{N-q(l)} \frac{1}{q(l) + j} (a_{j}^{(l+1)})^{k-1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{s(1) + \dots + s(l) + e} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{l} s(i) \int \lambda^{k-1} d\tilde{\mu}_{i}(\lambda) + e \int \lambda^{k-1} d\eta_{N}(\lambda) \right),$$

for probability measures

$$\tilde{\mu}_{i} = \frac{1}{s(i)} \sum_{j=1}^{p(i)} \left(\frac{1}{q(i-1)+j} \right) \delta_{a_{j}^{(i)}}$$

$$\eta_{N} = \frac{1}{e} \sum_{j=1}^{N-q(l)} \left(\frac{1}{q(l)+j} \right) \delta_{a_{j}^{(l+1)}}.$$

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{j} b_j^{k-1} = \int \lambda^{k-1} d\rho_N(\lambda),$$

where ρ_N is the convex combination

$$\rho_N = \sum_{i=1}^l \left(\frac{s(i)}{s(1) + \dots + s(l) + e} \right) \tilde{\mu}_i + \left(\frac{e}{s(1) + \dots + s(l) + e} \right) \eta_N. \tag{4.3}$$

Also, we have $e \le p(l+1)/q(l)$, so by (4.1), choosing N sufficiently large ensures that e is arbitrarily small, and, thus, $e/(s(1) + \cdots + s(l) + e)$ is arbitrarily small.

Now let us examine the measures $\tilde{\mu}_i$. Setting q(0) = 0, we have

$$\tilde{\mu}_i = \frac{1}{p(i)} \sum_{j=1}^{p(i)} w_j^{(i)} \delta_{a_j^{(i)}}$$

where

$$w_j^{(i)} = \frac{p(i)}{s(i)(q(i-1)+j)},$$

so that $\sum_{j=1}^{p(i)} w_j^{(i)} = p(i)$ and $w_1^{(i)} \ge w_2^{(i)} \ge \cdots \ge w_{p(i)}^{(i)} > 0$. But

$$1 \le \frac{w_1^{(i)}}{w_{p(i)}^{(i)}} = \frac{q(i)}{q(i-1)+1} < \frac{q(i)}{q(i-1)} = 1 + \frac{p(i)}{q(i-1)}$$

and by the condition (4.1), the right-hand-side tends to 1 as $i \to \infty$. Since the average of the positive numbers $w_1^{(i)}, \ldots, w_{p(i)}^{(i)}$ equals 1, we have $w_1^{(i)} \ge 1 \ge w_{p(i)}^{(i)}$;

since for $\delta_1 \geq 0$ and $1 > \delta_2 \geq 0$ we have

$$\frac{1+\delta_1}{1-\delta_2}-1=\frac{\delta_1+\delta_2}{1-\delta_2}\geq \max\{\delta_1,\delta_2\},\,$$

from $\lim_{i \to \infty} w_1^{(i)}/w_{p(i)}^{(i)} = 1$ we get

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \max_{1 \le j \le p(i)} |1 - w_j^{(i)}| = 0.$$

Consequently, applying Lemma 4.5, the sequence $\tilde{\mu}_i$ of measures converges as $i \to \infty$ in weak*-topology on C([-M, M]) to σ . Now, since $s(1) + \cdots + s(l) + e$ diverges to ∞ as $N \to \infty$ and, as noted before, $e \to 0$ as $N \to \infty$, from (4.3) we see that ρ_N converges as $N \to \infty$ in weak*-topology on C([-M, M]) to σ . This yields (4.2), as desired.

5. Second order spectral shift measures

The goals of this section are to establish the trace formula (1.3) and a more general version, as well as some properties of the second order spectral shift measure. The first goal will be accomplished in Theorem 5.2, which holds under the hypotheses below. Again, we work with a normed ideal \mathcal{I} of a σ -finite, semifinite von Neumann algebra factor \mathcal{B} , with ideal norm denoted $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$, and endowed with a trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}: \mathcal{I} \to \mathbb{C}$ that is positive and $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ -bounded, but we also assume the $\mathcal{I}^{1/2}$ is a normed ideal with ideal norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}^{1/2}}$ and that the inequality (2.2) holds. (By Proposition 2.5, this is the case for many Marcinkiewicz ideals, on which Dixmier traces are defined.)

Hypotheses 5.1. Consider a set Ω , a closed, densely defined operator H_0 affiliated with $\mathcal{B}, V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$ and a set \mathcal{F} of functions that satisfy one of the following assertions:

(i)
$$\Omega = \mathbb{R}$$
, $\text{Im}(H_0) \ge 0$, $\text{Im}(H_0 + V) \ge 0$, and

$$\mathcal{F} = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \lambda \mapsto (z - \lambda)^{-k} : k \in \mathbb{N}, \operatorname{Im}(z) < 0 \right\};$$

(ii) $\Omega = \mathbb{T}$, $||H_0|| \leq 1$, $||H_0 + V|| \leq 1$, and \mathcal{F} is the set of all functions that are analytic on discs centered at 0 and of radius strictly larger than 1.

Theorem 5.2. Let Ω , H_0 , V and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 5.1. Then, there exists a (countably additive, complex) measure $\nu_{H_0,V}$ on Ω such that for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$, the trace formula

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) - \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV)\right) = \int_{\Omega} f''(\lambda) \,\nu_{H_0,V}(d\lambda) \tag{5.1}$$

holds. Moreover, the total variation of $\nu_{H_0,V}$ is bounded as follows:

$$\|\nu_{H_0,V}\| \le \frac{1}{2} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|V|^2).$$
 (5.2)

The proof is based on the set of lemmas below.

By evaluating the derivatives of expressions in Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6 (ii), we obtain the following.

Lemma 5.3. (i) Let H_0 be be affiliated with \mathcal{B} and $V \in \mathcal{B}$; let $H_t := H_0 + tV$. Then, for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $\sup_{t \in [0,1]} \|(zI - H_t)^{-1}\| < \infty$ and for $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} ((zI - H_t)^{-k}) = 2 \sum_{\substack{1 \le k_0, k_1, k_2 \le k \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 = k + 2}} (zI - H_t)^{-k_0} V(zI - H_t)^{-k_1} V(zI - H_t)^{-k_2}.$$

(ii) Let $H_0, V \in \mathcal{B}$. Then, for $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}(H_t^k) = 2 \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1, k_2 \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 = k - 2}} H_t^{k_0} V H_t^{k_1} V H_t^{k_2}.$$

(iii) Let $H_0 \in \mathcal{B}$, $||H_0|| \le 1$, $V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, and $||H_0 + V|| \le 1$. Then, for every f analytic on a disc of radius r > 1 centered at 0,

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) = 2\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1, k_2 \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 = k - 2}} H_0^{k_0} V H_0^{k_1} V H_0^{k_2},$$

where the series converges in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

Note that if H_0 , V, and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 5.1, then for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$R_{H_0,V}(f) := f(H_0 + V) - f(H_0) - \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV)$$

is an element of \mathcal{I} . This follows from Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6 and can be obtained similarly to (5.3) and (5.4) in the proof of the lemma below.

Lemma 5.4. If H_0 , V, and $f \in \mathcal{F}$ are as in one of the cases of Hypotheses 5.1, then the function

$$t \mapsto \frac{d}{ds} \bigg|_{s=t} f(H_0 + sV) - \frac{d}{ds} \bigg|_{s=0} f(H_0 + sV)$$

is uniformly continuous and, hence, Bochner integrable on [0,1] with respect to $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$.

Proof. We will first demonstrate this in case $f(\lambda) = \lambda^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Applying Lemma 3.5 (ii) gives

$$\frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=t} (H_0 + sV)^k - \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} (H_0 + sV)^k
= \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} (H_0 + tV)^{k_0} V (H_0 + tV)^{k_1} - \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} H_0^{k_0} V H_0^{k_1},$$
(5.3)

which equals

$$\sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} (H_0 + tV)^{k_0} V (H_0 + tV)^{k_1} - \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} H_0^{k_0} V (H_0 + tV)^{k_1} - \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} H_0^{k_0} V (H_0 + tV)^{k_1} - \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} H_0^{k_0} V H_0^{k_1}.$$

By Lemma 3.5 (ii), this

$$\sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} \sum_{\substack{0 \le i_0, i_1 \\ ii_0 + i_1 = k_0 - 1}} (H_0 + tV)^{i_0} V H_0^{i_1} V (H_0 + tV)^{k_1}
+ \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1 \\ k_0 + k_1 = k - 1}} \sum_{\substack{0 \le j_0, j_1 \\ j_0 + j_1 = k_1 - 1}} H_0^{k_0} V (H_0 + tV)^{j_0} V H_0^{j_1}.$$
(5.4)

Since $t \mapsto H_0 + tV$ is uniformly continuous on [0,1] in the operator norm (this can be derived from Lemma 3.5 (ii)) and $V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, we obtain continuity of the function $t \mapsto \frac{d}{ds}\big|_{s=t}(H_0 + sV)^k - \frac{d}{ds}\big|_{s=0}(H_0 + sV)^k$ in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$. Now the uniform continuity for analytic functions as in Hypotheses 5.1(ii) follows by norm estimates (2.2) and uniform convergence.

The case of functions $\lambda \mapsto (z-\lambda)^{-k}$ as in Hypotheses 5.1(i) can be proved similarly.

Lemma 5.5. If H_0 , V, and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 5.1, then for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(R_{H_0,V}(f)) = \int_0^1 (1-t)\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}f(H_0+tV)\right) dt.$$

Proof. Using continuity in the operator norm, which follows from (2.2) and Lemma 5.4, and the fundamental theorem of calculus, one can verify that for every bounded linear functional ϕ on \mathcal{B} , we have

$$\phi(R_{H_0,V}(f)) = \phi\left(\int_0^1 \left(\frac{d}{ds}f(H_0 + sV) - \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV)\right) ds\right)$$

(where we pull ϕ through the derivative in $\frac{d}{ds}$ based on convergence in operator norm). Thus, we have

$$R_{H_0,V}(f) = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{d}{ds} f(H_0 + sV) - \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) \right) ds.$$

Using that Bochner integrability with respect to $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$, we have

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(R_{H_0,V}(f)) = \int_0^1 \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{ds}f(H_0 + sV) - \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0}f(H_0 + tV)\right) ds.$$

Integrating by parts in the latter integral, we arrive at

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(R_{H_0,V}(f)) = \int_0^1 (1-s) \left(\frac{d}{ds} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d}{ds} f(H_0 + sV) - \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right) ds.$$

With use of Lemmas 3.5 and 5.3, one can verify that

$$\frac{d}{ds}\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d}{ds}f(H_0+sV)-\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0}f(H_0+tV)\right)=\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^2}{ds^2}f(H_0+sV)\right),$$

which completes the proof of the lemma.

Similarly to the case of the first order trace formula, in order to establish the second order trace formula, we need to prove the following bound for the second order Gâteaux derivative.

Theorem 5.6. Let Ω , H_0 , V, and \mathcal{F} satisfy Hypotheses 5.1. Then for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right| \le \|f''\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \cdot \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|V|^2). \tag{5.5}$$

The proof is based on the lemma below.

Lemma 5.7. Let H be a normal operator affiliated to \mathcal{B} and $V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$. Then, for arbitrary Borel partitions $\{\delta_i\}_{i=1}^m$ and $\{\delta_i'\}_{i=1}^{m'}$ of \mathbb{C} ,

$$\sum_{i_0,i_1} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(E_H(\delta_{i_0}) V E_H(\delta'_{i_1}) V E_H(\delta_{i_0}) \right) \right| \leq \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (|V|^2).$$

Proof. By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,

$$\sum_{i_{0},i_{1}} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(E_{H}(\delta_{i_{0}}) V E_{H}(\delta'_{i_{1}}) V E_{H}(\delta_{i_{0}}) \right) \right| \\
\leq \sum_{i_{0},i_{1}} \left(\tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\left| E_{H}(\delta_{i_{0}}) V E_{H}(\delta'_{i_{1}}) \right|^{2} \right) \right)^{1/2} \left(\tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\left| E_{H}(\delta'_{i_{1}}) V E_{H}(\delta_{i_{0}}) \right|^{2} \right) \right)^{1/2} \\
\leq \left(\sum_{i_{0},i_{1}} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\left| E_{H}(\delta_{i_{0}}) V E_{H}(\delta'_{i_{1}}) \right|^{2} \right) \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i_{0},i_{1}} \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\left| E_{H}(\delta'_{i_{1}}) V E_{H}(\delta_{i_{0}}) \right|^{2} \right) \right)^{1/2} \\
= \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (\left| V \right|^{2}).$$

The proof of Theorem 5.6 will involve the divided difference of a function. Recall that the divided difference of order n is an operation on functions f defined recursively as follows:

$$f^{[0]}(\lambda) := f(\lambda),$$

$$f^{[n]}(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n) := \begin{cases} \frac{f^{[n-1]}(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{n-2}, \lambda_{n-1}) - f^{[n-1]}(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{n-2}, \lambda_n)}{\lambda_{n-1} - \lambda_n} & \text{if } \lambda_{n-1} \neq \lambda_n \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=\lambda_n} f^{[n-1]}(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{n-2}, t) & \text{if } \lambda_{n-1} = \lambda_n. \end{cases}$$

We have the following bound for the divided difference of $f \in C_b^2$:

$$||f^{[2]}||_{\infty} \le \frac{1}{2} ||f''||_{\infty}.$$
 (5.6)

Below we provide formulas for the second order divided differences of the functions involved in the proof of Theorem 5.6.

Lemma 5.8. The following assertions hold.

(i) For $f(\lambda) = (z - \lambda)^{-k}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and $z, \lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2$ such that $f^{[2]}(\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ is well defined,

$$f^{[2]}(\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \sum_{\substack{1 \le k_0, k_1, k_2 \le k \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 = k + 2}} (z - \lambda_0)^{-k_0} (z - \lambda_1)^{-k_1} (z - \lambda_2)^{-k_2}.$$

(ii) For $f(\lambda) = \lambda^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$f^{[2]}(\lambda_0,\lambda_1,\lambda_2) = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq k_0,k_1,k_2\\k_0+\overline{k_1}+k_2=k-2}} \lambda_0^{k_0} \lambda_1^{k_1} \lambda_2^{k_2}.$$

(iii) For f analytic on a disc of radius r > 1 centered at 0 and $\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$,

$$f^{[2]}(\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \le k_0, k_1, k_2 \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 = k - 2}} \lambda_0^{k_0} \lambda_1^{k_1} \lambda_2^{k_2}.$$

Proof of Theorem 5.6. Note that, in case both H_0 and H_0+V are self-adjoint or both are unitary, the estimate (5.5) would follow from the representation

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}f(H_{0}+tV)\right)$$

$$=2\lim_{n\to\infty}\sum_{i_{0}=1}^{n}\sum_{i_{1}=1}^{n}f^{[2]}\left(\lambda_{i_{0}}^{(n)},\lambda_{i_{1}}^{(n)},\lambda_{i_{0}}^{(n)}\right)\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(E_{H_{t}}\left(\delta_{i_{0}}^{(n)}\right)VE_{H_{t}}\left(\delta_{i_{1}}^{(n)}\right)V\right),\tag{5.7}$$

for certain $\lambda_j^{(n)} \in \Omega$, j = 1, ..., n, and partitions $(\delta_i^{(n)})_{i=1}^n$ of \mathbb{C} , in combination with Lemma 5.7, and the bound (5.6).

Case 1: $H_0 = H_0^*$ (possibly unbounded, affiliated to \mathcal{B}), $V = V^* \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, and

$$f \in \operatorname{span} \left\{ \lambda \mapsto (z - \lambda)^{-k} : k \in \mathbb{N}, \operatorname{Im}(z) \neq 0 \right\}.$$

In order to prove (5.7) for all such f, it will enough to consider $f(\lambda) = (z - \lambda)^{-k}$. By Lemma 5.3 (i),

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}f(H_{0}+tV)\right) =$$

$$= 2\sum_{\substack{1 \leq k_{0}, k_{1}, k_{2} \leq k \\ k_{0}+k_{1}+k_{2}=k+2}} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left((zI-H_{t})^{-k_{0}}V(zI-H_{t})^{-k_{1}}V(zI-H_{t})^{-k_{2}}\right)$$

$$= 2\sum_{\substack{1 \leq k_{0}, k_{1}, k_{2} \leq k \\ k_{0}+k_{1}+k_{2}=k+2}} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left((zI-H_{t})^{-k_{0}-k_{2}}V(zI-H_{t})^{-k_{1}}V\right).$$

By the spectral theorem, there are Borel partitions $(\delta_i^{(n)})_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ of \mathbb{C} and complex numbers $\lambda_i^{(n)}$ such that for any $m \in \{1, \ldots, k+2\}$ and any $t \in [0, 1]$, the quantity

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(z - \lambda_j^{(n)} \right)^{-m} E_{H_t} \left(\delta_j^{(n)} \right)$$

converges in operator norm to $(zI - H_t)^{-m}$ as $n \to \infty$. It follows, using the norm estimate (2.2), that for any $m_0, m_1 \in \{1, \ldots, k+2\}$, the quantity

$$\sum_{i_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_1=1}^{n} \left(z - \lambda_{i_0}^{(n)} \right)^{-m_0} \left(z - \lambda_{i_1}^{(n)} \right)^{-m_1} E_{H_t} \left(\delta_{i_0}^{(n)} \right) V E_{H_t} \left(\delta_{i_1}^{(n)} \right) V$$

converges in $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ to $(zI-H_t)^{-m_0}V(zI-H_t)^{-m_1}V$ as $n\to\infty$. Let us write $\rho_t(A,B)=\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(E_{H_t}(A)VE_{H_t}(B)V)$. Then,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}f(H_{0}+tV)\right) =$$

$$= 2\sum_{\substack{1 \leq k_{0}, k_{1}, k_{2} \leq k \\ k_{0}+k_{1}+k_{2}=k+2}} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i_{0}=1}^{n} \sum_{i_{1}=1}^{n} \left(z - \lambda_{i_{0}}^{(n)}\right)^{-k_{0}-k_{2}} \left(z - \lambda_{i_{1}}^{(n)}\right)^{-k_{1}} \rho_{t}\left(\delta_{i_{0}}^{(n)}, \delta_{i_{1}}^{(n)}\right)$$

$$= 2\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i_{0}=1}^{n} \sum_{i_{1}=1}^{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k_{0}, k_{1}, k_{2} \leq k \\ k_{0}+k_{1}+k_{2}=k+2}} \left(z - \lambda_{i_{0}}^{(n)}\right)^{-k_{0}-k_{2}} \left(z - \lambda_{i_{1}}^{(n)}\right)^{-k_{1}} \rho_{t}\left(\delta_{i_{0}}^{(n)}, \delta_{i_{1}}^{(n)}\right).$$

By Lemma 5.8 (i), the latter equals the limit in (5.7).

Case 2: $V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, H_0 is unitary, $H_0 + V$ is a contraction, and f is a function analytic on a disc of radius r > 1 centered at 0.

Firstly, we make an additional assumption that f is a polynomial. The formula (5.7) and the estimate for $\left|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\right|_{t=0}f(H_0+tV)\right)\right|$ can be derived completely analogously to the estimate in Case 1. Now for f analytic as above, we approximate f by a sequence of polynomials $f_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n \hat{f}(k)z^k$, so that $\{f_n''\}_{n=1}^\infty$ converges to f'' in $L^\infty(\mathbb{T})$. By Lemma 5.3 (iii), we have

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}f(H_{0}+tV)\right) - \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}f_{n}(H_{0}+tV)\right)$$

$$= 2\sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) \sum_{\substack{0 \leq k_{0}, k_{1}, k_{2} \\ k_{0}+k_{1}+k_{2}=k-2}} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(H_{t}^{k_{0}}VH_{t}^{k_{1}}VH_{t}^{k_{2}}\right).$$

Thus, by $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{I}}$ —boundedness of $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ and the inequality (2.2),

$$\sup_{t \in [0,1]} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} f(H_0 + tV) \right) - \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} f_n(H_0 + tV) \right) \right|$$

$$\leq 2 \cdot \|\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\|_{\mathcal{I}^*} \cdot \||V|^2 \|_{\mathcal{I}} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k(k-1) |\hat{f}(k)|,$$

which converges to zero as $n \to \infty$. Therefore,

$$\left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \Big|_{t=0} f(H_0 + tV) \right) \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \Big|_{t=0} f_n(H_0 + tV) \right) \right|$$

$$\leq \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (|V|^2) \lim_{n \to \infty} ||f_n||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} = \tau_{\mathcal{I}} (|V|^2) ||f||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})}.$$

The estimate for the derivative at $t = t_0 \neq 0$ can be derived by dilating the contraction $H_0 + t_0 V$ to a unitary operator, as it was done in the proof of Theorem 3.9.

Finally, in case of dissipative (respectively, contractive) operators H_0 and $H_0 + V$, the estimate (5.5) follows from the self-adjoint (respectively, unitary) case and use of

the self-adjoint (unitary) dilations results from Subsection 2.3 and Proposition 2.3, similarly to how it was done in the proof of Theorem 3.9.

Proof of Theorem 5.2. The result follows upon applying Lemma 5.5, Theorem 5.6, the Riesz representation theorem, and, in case of non-self-adjoint and non-unitary operators, the Hahn-Banach theorem.

By adjusting the proof of Theorem 3.13, we obtain the following generalization of the formula (1.4) for the second order remainder of the Taylor approximation (again, with non-optimal set of functions f).

Theorem 5.9. Suppose $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^{3/2}) = \{0\}$. Assume either Hypotheses 5.1 or take $H_0 = H_0^* \in \mathcal{B}$, $V = V^* \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$ and $\mathcal{F} = C^4(\mathbb{R})$. Then, for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f(H_0+V) - f(H_0) - \frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0+tV)\right) = \frac{1}{2}\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\Big|_{t=0} f(H_0+tV)\right).$$

Remark 5.10. It was proved in [18] that in case of self-adjoint H_0 , V, with V in the Hilbert-Schmidt class and $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}$ replaced with the standard trace Tr in (1.3), the second order spectral shift measure can be expressed via the first order spectral shift measure, and is absolutely continuous. The latter proof crucially relied on the fact that a Hilbert-Schmidt operator can be approximated by a sequence of trace class operators in the Hilbert-Schmidt norm. In the case of $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{L}^{(1,\infty)}$ and a Dixmier trace $\tau_{\mathcal{I}} = \text{Tr}_{\omega}$, we do not have a similar approximation property for the elements of $\mathcal{I}^{1/2}$ by the elements of \mathcal{I} . Moreover, as a consequence of the singularity of the Dixmier trace, $\nu_{H_0,V}$ can be a singular measure (see Proposition 5.11) and if $V \in \mathcal{I}$, then $\nu_{H_0,V}$ degenerates to zero (see Proposition 5.13).

Proposition 5.11. Suppose $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^{3/2}) = \{0\}$. Let $H_0 = aI$, for $a \in \mathbb{R}$, and let $V = V^* \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$. Then, under Hypotheses 5.1(i), the measure $\nu_{H_0,V} = \frac{1}{2} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V^2) \delta_a$ on \mathbb{R} satisfies Theorem 5.2.

Proof. By Theorem 5.2 and direct calculations,

$$k(k-1) \int_{\mathbb{R}} t^{k-2} \nu_{H_0,V}(dt)$$

$$= \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left((aI + V)^k - a^k I - \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} (aI + tV)^k \right) = \tau_{\mathcal{I}} \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k}{j} a^{k-j} V^j - k a^{k-1} V \right)$$

$$= k(k-1) a^{k-2} \frac{1}{2} \tau_{\mathcal{I}}(V^2).$$

The rest of the proof goes like the one of Proposition 4.2.

Proposition 5.12. Let H_0 and H_0+V be contractions. Assume that $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{I}^{3/2})=\{0\}$. If $H_0, V \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$, then under Hypotheses 5.1(ii), Theorem 5.2 holds with an absolutely continuous measure $\nu_{H_0,V}$, and in fact with $\nu_{H_0,V}$ equal to a multiple of Haar measure on the unit circle.

Proof. The proof follows from adjusting the reasoning in the proof of Proposition 4.3, where we employ Lemma 5.3 (ii) and Lemma 5.5 to show that $\int_{\mathbb{T}} z^n d\nu_{H_0,V}(z) = 0$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proposition 5.13. Assume Hypotheses 5.1. If $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(|V|^2) = 0$, then Theorem 5.2 holds with $\nu_{H_0,V} = 0$.

Proof. The result is an immediate consequence of the estimate (5.2) for the total variation of the measure $\nu_{H_0,V}$.

As in the case of a normal trace, the measure $\nu_{H_0,V}$ is nonnegative whenever H_0 and V are bounded self-adjoint operators.

Proposition 5.14. Assume $H_0 = H_0^* \in \mathcal{B}$ and $V = V^* \in \mathcal{I}^{1/2}$. Then Theorem 5.2 (with Hypotheses 5.1(i)) holds with the measure $\nu_{H_0,V}$ on \mathbb{R} nonnegative.

Proof. In the course of the proofs of Theorems 5.2 and 5.6 (which we apply after rescaling the operators to get contractions), we have established that for f a polynomial,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)-\frac{d}{dt}\Big|_{t=0}f(H_0+tV)\right)$$

$$=2\int_0^1 (1-t)\lim_{n\to\infty}\sum_{i_0=1}^n\sum_{i_1=1}^n f^{[2]}\left(\lambda_{i_0}^{(n)},\lambda_{i_1}^{(n)},\lambda_{i_0}^{(n)}\right)\tau_{\mathcal{I}}\left(E_{H_t}\left(\delta_{i_0}^{(n)}\right)VE_{H_t}\left(\delta_{i_1}^{(n)}\right)V\right)dt.$$

Denote $E_t(\lambda_k) = E_{H_0+tV}(d\lambda_k)$, for k = 0, 1. Since

$$\langle E_t(\lambda_0)VE_t(\lambda_1)VE_t(\lambda_0)h, h\rangle = \langle E_t(\lambda_1)VE_t(\lambda_0)h, VE_t(\lambda_0)h\rangle \ge 0,$$

for any $h \in \mathcal{H}$, we see that the set functions $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(E_t(\lambda_0)VE_t(\lambda_1)V)$ are nonnegative. Therefore, $\tau_{\mathcal{I}}(f(H_0+V)-f(H_0)-\frac{d}{dt}\big|_{t=0}f(H_0+tV)) \geq 0$ whenever $f'' \geq 0$ (on a segment containing the spectra of operators H_0+tV , $t \in [0,1]$). Finally, application of (1.3) completes the proof.

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